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Status

- 1) Responsive to communication(s) filed on 27 October 2005.
- 2a) This action is FINAL. 2b) This action is non-final.
- 3) Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) Claim(s) 1-17 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) Claim(s) 1-17 is/are rejected.
- 7) Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) accepted or b) objected to by the Examiner.
 Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
 Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) All b) Some * c) None of:
1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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Paper No(s)/Mail Date: _____ | 5) <input type="checkbox"/> Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152) |
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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments filed 10-27-2005 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive.

In response to applicant's argument that the examiner's conclusion of obviousness is based upon improper hindsight reasoning, it must be recognized that any judgment on obviousness is in a sense necessarily a reconstruction based upon hindsight reasoning. But so long as it takes into account only knowledge which was within the level of ordinary skill at the time the claimed invention was made, and does not include knowledge gleaned only from the applicant's disclosure, such a reconstruction is proper. See *In re McLaughlin*, 443 F.2d 1392, 170 USPQ 209 (CCPA 1971).

Henrick clearly teaches that selecting a URL from a list is an alternative to having a user manually enter the URL (See Col. 4 lines 20-39). It is well known in the art that are many reasons to have a user select text from a list as opposed to manually entering the text (whether the text be a URL or the name of a radio station), one reason is that selecting text from a list may be quicker than manual entering the text as stated in the previous Office Action.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The text of those sections of Title 35, U.S. Code not included in this action can be found in a prior Office action.

Claims 1-17 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Henrick (US 6,507,727).

1. Regarding claim 1, Henrick teaches a computer-implemented method for retrieving a stored broadcast segment associated with a transmitted broadcast segment in response to a user inquiry, the user inquiry referencing a time and a date of broadcast, and a station identifier of the transmitted broadcast segment, the user initiating the inquiry upon receiving the transmitted broadcast segment, the method comprising (See Col. 1 lines 61-67, Col. 2 lines 1-40): configuring a broadcast segment database with a plurality of stored broadcast segments associated with respective broadcast times, broadcast dates, station identifiers and identification information (See Col. 4 lines 46-67, Col. 5 lines 1-46 Server has a copy of the station schedule); configuring a communications device that is responsive to the user initiating the inquiry (See Col. 3 lines 62-67, Col. 4 lines 1-38 User creates an account); generating the time and date of broadcast of the transmitted broadcast segment with the communications device (See Col. 4 lines 40-67); entering the station identifier of the transmitted broadcast segment (See Col. 4 lines 46-53); generating, after configuring the communications device, after generating the time and date of broadcast, and after selecting the station identifier, a first bookmark in response to the user inquiry, wherein the first bookmark includes information describing the time and date of broadcast and the station identifier from the user inquiry (See Fig. 3 and Col. 4 lines 46-67, Col. 5 lines 1-46); storing the first bookmark in association with a user identification code in a user database (See Col. 4 lines 54-67, Col. 5 lines 1-7 The server must store the bookmark

at least temporarily to compare it to tracking information); retrieving a first stored broadcast segment corresponding to the first bookmark from the broadcast segment database (See Col. 4 lines 46-67, Col. 5 lines 1-46); and transmitting the first stored broadcast segment to a user-selected destination (See Col. 4 lines 46-67, Col. 5 lines 1-46). Henrick differs from the claimed invention in that the user does not necessarily select the station identifier from a stored list of station identifiers, wherein the stored list is stored in a memory arrangement of the communications device. Selecting an identifier from a stored list as opposed to entering an identifier is well known as disclosed in Henrick when the communication device stores a list of bookmarks and where the user selects a bookmark from a list (See Col. 4 lines 24-45). Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Henrick such that the user selected the station identifier from a stored list of station identifiers, wherein the stored list is stored in a memory arrangement of the communications device to allow the user to input the identifier more quickly.

2. Regarding claim 2, Henrick teaches the method further comprising after the transmitting step, storing the first stored broadcast segment in a user-selected storage location associated with the user identification code for subsequent retrieval and review by the user (See Fig. 4 and Col. 5 lines 11-45).

3. Regarding claim 3, Henrick teaches wherein the step of generating the first bookmark includes the steps of: recording the time and date of broadcast of the transmitted broadcast segment with a mobile communications device upon entering the station identifier in the mobile communications device (See Fig. 3 and Col. 4 lines 46-

53); and transmitting the first bookmark from the mobile communications device to the user database (See Col. 4 lines 64-67, Col. 5 lines 1-7).

4. Regarding claim 4, Henrick teaches wherein the first stored broadcast segment includes a title of a creative work, the creative work selected from the group consisting of: a sound recording, a video program and a movie (See Col. 1 lines 61-63, Col. 4 lines 64-67).

5. Regarding claim 5, Henrick teaches the method further comprising after the transmitting step: retrieving with a vendor managed data processing system the creative work corresponding to the title (See Col. 5 lines 11-46); and storing the creative work in a user-selected storage location (See Col. 5 lines 11-46).

6. Regarding claim 6, Henrick teaches the method further comprising before generating the first bookmark: assigning the user identification code upon completing a user-profile (See Col. 3 lines 60-67, Col. 4 lines 1-4); and generating a set of demographic data for each user when retrieving from the broadcast segment database (See Col. 5 lines 12-23).

7. Regarding claim 7, Henrick teaches the method, further comprising the step of verifying eligibility of the user to retrieve the first stored broadcast segment from the broadcast segment database (See Col. 5 lines 11-46).

8. Regarding claim 9, Henrick differs from the claimed invention in that the user-selected destination is typically a destination that is independent of the mobile communication device (See Col 1 lines 61-67, Col. 2 lines 1-5). However, Henrick does teach where his invention has the flexibility to download songs to a client device through

a wireless connection (See Col. 5 lines 59-67, Col. 6 lines 1-51). In the background of his invention Henrick teaches where downloading digital content to a mobile communication device is well known (See Col. 1 lines 43-58). Although Henrick teaches where his invention is a solution to the drawbacks of downloading digital content to the mobile communication device, it still would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Henrick so that user requested digital content was downloaded directly to the mobile communication device. The motivation for such a modification would have been that it is advantageous to have digital content downloaded to a portable device (See Col. 6 lines 38-51).

9. Regarding claim 10, claim 10 is a system claim corresponding to method claim 1. Thus, claim 10 is discussed and rejected according to claim 1.

10. Regarding claim 11, Henrick teaches wherein means for generating a first bookmark includes a mobile communications device configured and arranged to store the time and date of the first broadcast segment upon entering the station identifier associated with the transmitted broadcast segment (See Col. 4 lines 45-67, Col. 5 lines 1-7 The mobile communications device must store the time and date at least temporarily so information can be transmitted to the server).

11. Regarding claim 12, Henrick teaches wherein the transmitted broadcast segment includes a creative work received by the user from a broadcast station associated with the station identifier, the creative work selected from the group consisting of: a sound recording, a video program and a movie (See Col. 1 lines 61-63, Col. 4 lines 64-67).

12. Regarding claim 13, Henrick teaches wherein the stored broadcast segment includes a title of a creative work, the creative work selected from the group consisting of: a sound recording, a video program and a movie (See Col. 1 lines 61-63, Col. 4 lines 64-67).

13. Regarding claim 14, Henrick teaches wherein means for retrieving the first stored broadcast segment includes a vendor managed data processing system configured to use the title to retrieve from the broadcast segment database the creative work associated with the title, the vendor managed data processing system further configured to transmit the creative work to the user-selected destination (See Col. 5 lines 11-46).

14. Regarding claim 15, Henrick teaches the system further comprising a user-profile database accessible by a vendor managed data processing system and configured to store a set of demographic data in association with the user identification code, the demographic data being generated as each user retrieves stored broadcast segments from the broadcast segment database (See Col. 3 lines 22-67, Col. 4 lines 1-13, Col. 5 lines 11-46).

15. Regarding claim 16, Henrick teaches the mobile communications device further comprising a receiver arrangement configured to receive and decode a signal that includes the transmitted broadcast segment that is transmitted at a selected radio frequency, wherein the mobile communications device is configured to store the time, date and selected radio frequency upon the user initiating the inquiry (See Col. 4 lines 45-67, Col. 5 lines 1-7, The mobile communications device must store the time, date,

and frequency at least temporarily so that the information can be transmitted to the server).

16. Regarding claim 17, Henrick teaches a computer-implemented method for retrieving a stored broadcast segment associated with a transmitted broadcast segment in response to a user inquiry, the user inquiry referencing a time and a date of broadcast, and a station identifier of the transmitted broadcast segment, the user initiating the inquiry upon receiving the transmitted broadcast segment, the method comprising (See Col. 1 lines 61-67, Col. 2 lines 1-40): configuring a broadcast segment database with a plurality of stored broadcast segments associated with respective broadcast times, broadcast dates, station identifiers and identification information (See Col. 4 lines 46-67, Col. 5 lines 1-46); configuring a communications device that is responsive to the user initiating the inquiry (See Col. 3 lines 62-67, Col. 4 lines 1-38 User creates an account); generating the time and date of broadcast of the transmitted broadcast segment with the communications device (See Col. 4 lines 40-67); entering the station identifier of the transmitted broadcast segment (See Col. 4 lines 46-53); generating, after configuring the communications device, after generating the time and date of the broadcast, and after entering the station identifier, a first bookmark in response to the user inquiry, wherein the first bookmark includes information describing the time and date of broadcast and the station identifier from the user inquiry (See Fig. 3 and Col. 4 lines 46-67, Col. 5 lines 1-46); storing the first bookmark in association with a user identification code in a user database (See Col. 4 lines 54-67, Col. 5 lines 1-7 The server must store the bookmark at least temporarily to compare it to tracking

information); retrieving a first stored broadcast segment corresponding to the first bookmark from the broadcast segment database (See Col. 4 lines 46-67, Col. 5 lines 1-46); retrieving a creative work corresponding to the first stored broadcast segment from a remote data processing system, wherein the creative work is a digital representation of a sound recording (See Col. 5 lines 24-46); and transmitting the creative work to a mobile communications device and storing the creative work in a memory arrangement of the mobile communications device (See Col. 6 lines 38-51). Henrick differs from the claimed invention in that the user does not necessarily select the station identifier from a stored list of station identifiers, wherein the stored list is stored in a memory arrangement of the communications device. Selecting an identifier from a stored list as opposed to entering an identifier is well known as disclosed in Henrick when the communication device stores a list of bookmarks and where the user selects a bookmark from a list (See Col. 4 lines 24-45). Thus, it would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time the invention was made to modify Henrick such that the user selected the station identifier from a stored list of station identifiers, wherein the stored list is stored in a memory arrangement of the communications device to allow the user to input the identifier more quickly.

Conclusion

Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Jamieson W. Fish whose telephone number is 571-272-7307. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 8:00-5:30.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Chris Kelley can be reached on 571-272-7331. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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